

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROJECT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 8, 2002

1. Attendance – See Attendance Sheet attachment.
2. Review and Acceptance of March 4, 2002 meeting minutes.

ACTION: A motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2002, Committee meeting was made by Frank Del Vecchio, and seconded by Mike Brazlavsky. The motion passed.

3. Project Status Report

(A) 13th Street Parking Garage Expansion

Rafael Leyva, Capital Projects Coordinator for parking projects, advised that the 13th Street parking garage expansion is actually a renovation of the existing facility. He added that the project is approximately 95% complete and should be finished in approximately 23 days. Mr. Del Vecchio asked where it was in the Project Status Report. Mr. Hemstreet explained it was not a GO Bond funded project and had been brought up due to a question that was asked at the previous Committee meeting.

Mr. Del Vecchio asked what the outcome was of the South Shore Community Center Project meeting that was on April 5, 2002. Tim Hemstreet responded that a variance was granted for the FEMA Flood Plain requirements and that the project will continue to progress.

Jean-Francois LeJeune asked the status of the Venetian Causeway project. Mr. Hemstreet informed the Committee that the Venetian Island Causeway Improvement projects are on hold pending a Dade County decision on how to proceed.

Amy Rabin asked for a report on the Alton Road, 20th Street and Sunset Drive intersection project. The Committee was told that the Notice to Proceed was issued by FDOT on March 18, 2002. The utility locates had been completed. Progress on the project should be visible in the following week. Construction is estimated to last 75 days.

4. Recommendations to the City Commission

(A) Star, Palm and Hibiscus Basis of Design Report (BODR)

Mr. Hemstreet informed the Committee that the first Basis of Design Report on the neighborhoods Right of Way project would be presented for their approval and then the approval of the Commission. He continued explaining that this report was comprised of input from lengthy meetings with residents, city staff, Hazen & Sawyer and EDAW. He added that Cesar Garcia Ponze from EDAW would be presenting the GO Bond portion of the report, which did not include stormwater or water issues.

Mr. Garcia Ponze explained that each island had approximately \$160,000 for GO Bond related improvements. He explained that Star Island had improvements already performed, which saved some money. He said more improvements would be done at the entrance guardhouse, such as special pavement, uplighting at the Royal Palms and uplighting at the edges of the circles.

Mr. Garcia Ponze reported that Palm Island improvements included tree removal and planting in scale with the areas, and bumpouts that designate a parking lane and reduce the traffic lane. This extra space would also provide the installation of new transformers for FP & L. He continued by saying that coordination with FP & L and EDAW would help to make better use of the funds involved. He explained that the installation of new 6" concrete curbs would frame the streets.

Mr. Garcia Ponze reported that Hibiscus Island improvements would include replacement of Royal Palms. Traffic Calming crossings would have textured pavers to slow down the traffic. He added that repairs would be done to walkways to the waterway, replacing water stormwater outfall and plantings of sod to the edge. He said that lighting would be added throughout the island.

Mr. Del Vecchio asked if this report would be additionally presented to the residents of the islands. Mr. Hemstreet explained that depending on the results of the Committee's decision, it would be forwarded to Commission. He explained that this may not always be the process, as sometimes the Basis of Design Report would need to be presented to the Historic Preservation Board, then the Commission.

Mr. Tim Rose, Executive Director of the Palm, Star and Hibiscus Island Association, commented that based on the results of the two community meetings, there was a consensus among the residents on the EDAW presentation.

Mr. Wien wanted to know if all the residence were noticed of the Committee meeting. Mr. Hemstreet explained that direct mailing was extremely costly and that notices are advertised in the newspapers and Homeowners Associations. Mrs. Ronnie Singer also explained that based on sign-in sheets at Neighborhood meetings, notices are sent out. The Committee expressed its desire to have individuals notified that Basis of Design Reports were being considered by the Committee in the future.

Mr. Sanchez wanted to know if changes were made to BODR, could the Committee be informed. Mayor Dermer asked that the Administration report on the status of the projects as they proceed through the system.

ACTION: Mr. Del Vecchio made a motion to recommend that the City Commission approve the Basis of Design Report for the Star, Palm and Hibiscus Island Right-of-Way project. Ms. Rabin seconded the motion.

Mr. Hyman congratulated EDAW on the report and how well it was presented. He added he was concerned that the report stated several times that funding had run out. Mr. Hemstreet responded by saying that this was done for projects that are not funded and could be implemented at a later date. He also added that the Administration has stated that there are not enough funds to fund every project that the community would like to see. He continued saying that when meetings are held with communities, there is no idea how far the funds will extend for an improvement until a checklist is provided and items are excluded.

ACTION: Mr. Del Vecchio amended his motion defining the recommendation to the City Commission to only address the streetscape improvements for which funding was available. Ms. Rabin seconded the motion. The motion passed.

(B) Biscayne Point Neighborhood Design Services Award

Mr. Hemstreet reported that since they could not come to an agreement with the original consultant, which was Civil Works, the

City had to go to the next consultant, which is the Corradino Group. He continued saying they have come to a conclusion on negotiations with the Corradino Group for planning phase services in the Biscayne Point Neighborhood. He said the contract is only for the planning phase and would probably come to the Committee for an amendment to the contract to do design phase services or go to another consultant if an inpass is reached. He added that the time frame to start the process would be approximately 60 days.

ACTION: Mr. Hyman made a motion to recommend to the City Commission that \$90,512 be appropriated from the General Obligation Bond Series 2000 funds and to award the A/E Agreement for the Biscayne Point Neighborhood Streetscape Project to the Corradino Group. Leonard Wein seconded the motion. The motion passed.

(C) Amendment to 17th Street Renovations A/E Agreement

Mr. Hemstreet explained that Zyscovich Inc. has an agreement to do a master plan for the Civic Center area and it has been determined that the Public Works complex needs a master plan done. He continued to explain that since they are related to each other, an amendment to the Zyscovich agreement will allow the City to master plan and sequence the construction of the Public Works yard. He explained that the City has negotiated with Zyscovich to conduct this service in the amount of \$45,000.

A discussion was held regarding the controlling provision of state law about competitively bidding the master plan amendment. Mr. Aguila of the City Attorney's Office explained that the consultant competitive negotiation act would prevail if it would be necessary to go to bidding, but that it was not necessary in this circumstance. This work is not an A/E contract, only additional work for a master plan.

ACTION: Mr. Del Vecchio made a motion to recommend to the City Commission that the Amendment to the Zyscovich Agreement for a City Center Master Plan not be approved. There was no second to the motion.

ACTION: Mr. Hyman made a motion to recommend to the City Commission that Amendment One to Zyscovich City Center Master Plan contract to include the Public Works Yard be approved. Leonard Wein seconded the motion. One opposed the motion. The motion passed.

(D) West Avenue Additional Services Award

Mr. Hemstreet explained that at the last GO Bond Oversight Committee meeting a motion was introduced to negotiate with the firm of Glatting Jackson a cost to do the planning element for 10th, 14th and 16th Streets. He added that the cost was negotiated in the amount of \$17,890.

Mr. Hyman wanted to know if James Pappas was involved in this negotiation. Mr. Bert Vidal from Hazen and Sawyer explained that they did consult with Mr. Pappas to negotiate this amendment.

ACTION: Mr. Del Vecchio made a motion to recommend to the City Commission that \$17,890 be appropriated from the General Obligation Bond Series 2000 funds for the West Avenue Additional Services. The motion was seconded by Jean-Francois LeJeune. Motion passed.

(E) A/E RFQ For Venetian Islands

Mr. Hemstreet explained that a Request for Qualification from the City Commission for design and engineering services for the Venetian Islands Neighborhood was needed. He added this was due to not coming to an agreement on price with the Urban Resource Group (URG) and that URG was terminated. He said they needed to replace them with another engineering firm.

ACTION: Ms. Rabin made a motion to recommend to the City Commission that an RFQ for engineering services for the Venetian Islands Neighborhoods be issued. The motion was seconded by Roberto Sanchez. The motion passed.

5. Informational Items

(A) Updated Calendar of Scheduled Community Design Workshops

The Administration informed the Committee that there is a Community Design Workshop scheduled in Normandy Shores Neighborhood on issues that arose after the last meeting on Normandy Isle/Normandy SUD Neighborhood. The meeting was tentatively scheduled for April 25, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Normandy Shores Golf Course Clubhouse.

- (B) A report on the Normandy Shores ROW Improvements Community Design Workshop #2 was presented.
- (C) A report on the relocation of the Library on Washington Avenue was presented.
- (D) A report on the “Nominal Group” form of Consensus Building was presented.
- (E) Mr. Del Vecchio commented that the Shane Water Sports Center Project GO Bond funds maybe applied to one or more GO Bond projects as per the legal opinion presented by the Administration.

ACTION: Roberto Sanchez made a motion to recommend to the City Commission and the Administration that \$300,000 originally appropriated for Shane Water Sports Center be allocated for the Normandy Isle Park and Pool project. The motion was seconded by Mr. LeJeune. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Change Orders

The Change Order Report was presented and reviewed.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:05pm

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